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John Morissette, Project Manager Transmission Siting Northeast Utilities Service Company P.O. Box 270 Hartford, CT 06141-0270

RE: DOCKET NO. 424 - The Connecticut Light & Power Company Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Connecticut portion of the Interstate Reliability Project that traverses the municipalities of Lebanon, Columbia, Coventry, Mansfield, Chaplin, Hampton, Brooklyn, Pomfret, Killingly, Putnam, Thompson, and Windham, which consists of (a) new overhead 345-kV electric transmission lines and associated facilities extending between CL&P's Card Street Substation in the Town of Lebanon, Lake Road Switching Station in the Town of Killingly, and the Connecticut/Rhode Island border in the Town of Thompson; and (b) related additions at CL&P's existing Card Street Substation, Lake Road Switching Station, and Killingly Substation.

Dear Mr. Morissette:

Pursuant to a decision made in accordance with R.C.SA. §16-50j-62 (b) at a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on October 31, 2013, Council staff hereby approves the use of a contractor staging area for this project submitted to the Council on April 25, 2014. The staging area will be located on a 5.3-acre portion of a larger property owned by Paquette Enterprises, LLC. The northen portion of the property contains a building used by Paquette Electric Co., Inc. and self-storage buildings. The staging area will be on the southern portion of the property which was previously disturbed by grading and soil excavation. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls will be installed and maintained at the staging area, in accordance with the Best Management Practices provided in the approved Development and Management Plan.

This approval applies only to the proposed staging area proposed in a request dated April 24, 2014. Any additional changes to the D&M Plan require advance notification and approval in accordance with the Council's approval of the D&M Plan on October 31, 2013. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Please be advised that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Melanie Bachman

Acting Executive Director

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c: Parties and Intervenors

The Honorable Maureen A. Nicholson, First Selectman, Town of Pomfret